36th Engineers conduct SB competition

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With the Super Bowl occurring two days later, Col. Kent Savre, the 36th Engineer Brigade commander, wanted to get his soldiers ready for Sunday's big game.

And on Friday, he did so in the spirit of competition. Savre coordinated the Rugged Family Readiness Group Super Bowl Challenge on post near the headquarters of the 36th Engineer Brigade.

"This was something I've always wanted to do for the brigade in the spirit of competition," Savre said. "This also was an opportunity to show appreciation to our families."



The challenge consisted of three components — a cross-fit competition, a flag football tournament and a chili cookoff. The 36th Engineer Brigade and its three battalions — 8th, 20th and 62nd Engineer Battalions — formed teams. It also was a fundraiser with food and fun for soldiers and their families.

The cross-fit portion of the competition consisted of physical-training exercises, which revolved around strength, endurance and gymnastics. The cross-fit competition was won by the Forward Support Company, 20th Engineer Battalion.

However, the Headquarters of the 36th Engineer Brigade 's Family Readiness Group claimed the flag football and chili cookoff championships to claim the overall challenge championship. The first-place chili was cooked by Sgt. Jakaro Worthen, and was called "Smokin Texas Chili."



"It wasn't planned for us (36th Engineer Brigade Family Readiness Group) to win, it just worked out that way," Savre said.

Savre also had something to say to the crowd following the competition.

"Soldiers cannot possibly do what they do in the Army without the support of their families," Savre said. "But, in a competition that involves

physical activity, it's kind of funny that it all came down to a chili cookoff to determine a winner."